

H.Res. 528 - Commemorating the 300th anniversary of the Town of New Milford, Connecticut

Floor Situation

H.Res. 528 is being considered on the floor under suspension of the rules and will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage. This legislation was introduced by Rep. Chris Murphy (D-CT) on June 28, 2007. The bill was referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Government Reform but was never considered.

H.Res. 528 is expected to be considered on the floor on July 23, 2007.

Summary

This legislation congratulates the Town of New Milford, Connecticut, on the occasion of its 300th anniversary and honors the Town of New Milford for its significant history, impressive growth, and considerable contributions to the State of Connecticut and the United States.

Background

The settlement of New Milford began in 1706, when John Noble, Sr. purchased a portion of land known as Weantinogue. In 1707, Noble and his daughter settled in New Milford, followed by 12 other families.

Beginning in 1774, New Milford demonstrated its support for the Revolutionary War by providing financial support to the servicemen and sending 285 of its 2,700 inhabitants to battle.

New Milford was a center of Underground Railroad work in Connecticut. Many of its residents offering their homes as places for slaves to take refuge on their journey to freedom.

New Milford is 64 square miles, making it the largest town in Connecticut. Currently there are about 30,000 residents in New Milford.

Cost

At the time of publication the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) had not yet scored this legislation.

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